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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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RE: *U.S. Patent Application Entitled: FILE SERVER SYSTEM PROVIDING DIRECT DATA SHARING BETWEEN CLIENTS WITH A SERVER ACTING AS AN ARBITER AND COORDINATOR - Uresh K. Vahalia and Percy Tzelnic (EMCR:039)*

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are:

- (1) 71-page patent specification with 49 claims and an abstract (also Figures 1-26 on 23 sheets);
- (2) Declaration; and
- (3) Assignment and Assignment Cover Sheet;

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| FOR | | Small Entity | Large Entity |
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| Total Claims | 49 - 20 = 29 | x \$9 = \$ | or x \$18 = \$ 522.00 |
| Independent Claims | 6 - 3 = 3 | x \$39 = \$ | or x \$78 = \$ 234.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s) | | + \$130 = \$ | or + \$260 = \$ |
| Basic Fee: | | + \$380 = \$ | or + \$760 = \$ 760.00 |
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 the Applicant requests the Patent and Trademark Office to accept this application and accord a serial number and filing date as of the date this application is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service for Express Mail.

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